

HOUSE No. 592

By Mr. Hall of Westford, petition of Geoffrey D. Hall and others
for legislation to provide pension benefits to surviving spouses of
public employees retired on disability. Public Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PETITION OF:

Geoffrey D. Hall Barbara J. Reed
Steven C. Panagiotakos

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT PROVIDING PENSION BENEFITS TO A SURVIVING SPOUSE WHO PRO-
VIDED CONTINUING CARE TO A TOTALLY DISABLED SPOUSE.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Section 101 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in
2 the 1998 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the
3 word “section”, in line 19, the following words:— provided, how-
4 ever, that there shall be paid to said surviving spouse, who
5 because of the prior total disability of the deceased spouse became
6 a constant care giver and could not be otherwise employed an
7 amount of allowance according to subdivision (2) of section 9.